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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices were unchanged in all locations. The market tone was mostly steady entering the week. Demand was light to good and was best where features were in progress for this week. Supplies were adequate to available for current trade needs. Breaking stock supplies were about adequate to adequate on heavy nest runs while offerings of lighter weight eggs were fully adequate to ample. Demand for additional product was moderate to good. Light type hens were fully sufficient for slaughter requirements.

NORTH ATLANTIC Prices were unchanged in all areas. The market tone was steady entering the week. Demand was light to moderate, best where promotions were in progress. Supplies were adequate to available for trade requirements. Breaking stock demand was moderate for adequate to fully adequate offerings. Light type fowl were fully adequate for the mostly light and unaggressive demand.

MIDWEST Small loose prices in Detroit were 1 cent higher, balance unchanged and prices in major Ohio and Wisconsin cities and prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota- Wisconsin were all unchanged. Trade sentiment was at least steady. Retail demand was moderate to fairly good. Food service movement was moderate to usually good. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for current needs. Central States nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was moderate to good with offerings about adequate to adequate on heavy nest runs. Lighter weight eggs continue fully adequate to ample. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady.

CHICAGO Prices on all sizes unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady. Retail and food service demand ranged from light to good, mostly moderate and best where features are planned or in progress. Supplies generally adequate.

SOUTHERN Prices were unchanged in all areas. The trade sentiment was steady. Demand was light to moderate, best where features were in progress for this week. Supplies were adequate to available for trade needs. The average price on Grade A or better white cartoned large eggs delivered to volume buyers in the Southern region for the week ending August 24, 2001 was 60.24 cents, unchanged from a week ago, but 15.98 cents less than the same week last year. Breaking stock demand was moderate and supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Light type hens were fully sufficient for normal slaughter schedules.

WESTERN Prices unchanged on all sizes throughout the region. The Pacific region inventory was 2% lower than last Monday with California down 8% and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 7%. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings ample.

NEW YORK Prices began the week unchanged. The market tone continued steady. Demand into retail outlets ranged light to moderate, best where featured. Supplies were fully adequate at current price levels.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	EXTRA		
	LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST CITIES			
Boston (Brown)	98-100	85-87	59-61
New York	63-65	60-63	42-45
Philadelphia	61-63	59-61	41-42
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	55-56	53.5-55	33-34
Jackson (1)	66-67	62-63	42-43
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	64-76	60-74	39-53
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	52-57	51-56	34-39
Detroit (2)	49-52	48-51	30-33
Major Ohio Cities (2)	50-56	49-54	31-37
Major Wisconsin Cities	53-61	51-58	34-41

WESTERN CITIES

Houston (1)	*****NOT AVAILABLE*****		
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	91	82	65
(1) - Prices reported weekly			
(2) - Delivered Warehouse			
(3) - Reported Invoice prices			

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged. The California inventory was 8% lower than last Monday. Retailer demand just fair. Offerings ample in spite of widespread molting. Small invoice price 45. Ads in Northern California: major- large dozen and 18 pack buy 1 get 1 free; smaller outlets- large dozen 89, 18 pack 99-149.

PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	107
EXTRA LARGE	91
LARGE	82
MEDIUM	65

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	
	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	239-289	JUMBO	249-279
EXTRA LARGE	229-269	EXTRA LARGE	209-249
LARGE	199-229	LARGE	183-239
MEDIUM	179-199	MEDIUM	175-199

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending August 31, 2001 will decrease by 9 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending August 24, 2001 were 254,255 cases which was 11 percent below the prior week and 11 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	218,469	35,786	254,255
% change from the prior week.....	-10	-17	-11

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 17 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Mostly prices were unchanged. Demand was moderate to good with offerings about adequate to adequate on heavy nest runs. Lighter weight eggs continue fully adequate to ample. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 AM, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	30-32	30-31
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	12-16	

CENTRAL STATES AREA:

AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were slightly lower compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of heavy hens. Finished sales were fair with current week schedules reduced at some plants. Trade sentiment was barely steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 27-AUG-01

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4.5-11	7-8	7.98

WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged to lower when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to moderate for the fully adequate to ample offerings. Processing schedules were reported as normal to heavy. Canner supplies were adequate to fully adequate for trade needs. The undertone was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 27-AUG-01

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	3.5-10.5	7.5-9	7.65
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM Aug 27, 2001

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
	Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	7.8	21.0	5.8	10.4	55.3
	Change	2.4	4.3	0.6	-1.2	6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	22.7	49.2	14.0	19.6	130.8
	Change	-1.2	9.4	4.5	-1.9	10%
Large	Curr Wk	36.1	105.3	61.3	80.4	370.2
	Change	6.0	9.4	7.2	2.0	6%
Medium	Curr Wk	15.0	42.5	27.4	31.3	140.7
	Change	-6.8	-2.1	6.3	4.2	1%
Small	Curr Wk	5.6	9.9	7.9	8.0	38.0
	Change	0.6	-3.2	-1.3	-0.9	-10%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.5	21.2	8.7	12.5	50.7
	Change	-2.8	-2.3	-2.0	0.5	-12%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	22.5	57.1	20.0	33.1	161.9
	Change	2.0	-6.9	-4.5	2.5	-3%
Total	Curr Wk	112.2	306.2	145.1	195.3	947.6
Percent	Change	0%	3%	8%	3%	2%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	947.6	2%	172
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	268.1	-8%	38
Total Shell Egg	1215.7	0%	210

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 172 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

CANADIAN EGGS MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 13, 2001

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	178.8	175.8	166.7	113.6

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 13, 2001 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	139	139	129	77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUGUST 24, 2001

CURRENT LOADS							FUTURE LOADS						
24.50							31.25						
SE		NE		MW		LOADS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST
GNR W 1	—	—	34.50	36.00	—	—	GNR W 1	43.50	46.00	—	—	—	—
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	30.00	32.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	57.50
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	—	—	GL W XL	44.00	—	—	—	—	49.80
GNR BR 1	—	—	37.00	38.00	—	—	GL W LG	38.00	—	—	—	—	43.88
GNR BR 3	25.50	29.00	—	—	—	—							4.25
GNR BR 4	—	—	22.50	—	—	26.00							
GL W J	—	—	—	—	46.25	—							
GL W XL	—	—	44.25	46.00	41.00	—							
GL W LG	—	38.00	32.00	—	34.73	—							
GL W MD	—	—	—	—	26.00	28.63							
GL W SM	18.00	19.50	—	—	—	—							
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	30.50	32.00							
NRBS - 39	—	—	16.00	18.00	—	—							
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	14.00	16.00							

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 08/20/01-08/24/01

CURRENT LOADS							FUTURE LOADS						
123.00							83.00						
SE		NE		MW		LOADS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST
GNR W 1	35.00	38.00	34.67	36.57	33.00	34.79	GNR W 1	42.40	43.00	—	—	—	—
GNR W 2	—	36.00	—	—	30.85	33.00	GNR W 2	—	33.00	—	—	—	—
GNR W 3	23.00	26.00	16.00	18.00	26.33	28.33	GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	—	—
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	25.00	27.00	GNR BR 1	—	40.00	—	—	—	—
GNR BR 1	—	—	36.25	37.50	—	—	GL W J	—	—	—	—	60.00	59.27
GNR BR 3	25.50	29.00	—	—	—	—	GL W XL	42.40	45.84	—	—	—	51.06
GNR BR 4	—	—	22.50	—	—	26.00	GL W LG	39.14	43.72	—	—	—	43.76
GL W J	—	—	—	—	46.25	—	GL W MD	27.00	26.50	22.00	—	—	29.75
GL W XL	—	45.45	44.21	45.60	41.15	—	NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	—
GL W LG	—	42.94	30.86	32.23	34.77	41.00	NRBS - 39	16.50	—	—	—	—	—
GL W MD	19.75	23.75	21.93	23.00	26.00	27.50							
GL W SM	18.33	19.07	16.00	17.50	—	—							
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	—							
GL BR MD	—	26.00	—	—	—	—							
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	31.00	30.50	32.00							
NRBS - 48	—	—	27.00	28.00	30.39	31.71							
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	29.00							
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	22.88	24.50							
NRBS - 39	—	—	17.50	18.00	21.50	21.18							
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	14.00	16.00							

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

NUMBER OF CASES OF EGGS SHIPPED TO CALIFORNIA 08/12/01 - 08/18/01

State	# Cases Shipped To Northern, CA	# Cases Shipped To Central, CA	# Cases Shipped To Southern, CA	Total State
Colorado	0	0	1,710	1,710
Idaho	0	0	720	720
Indiana	0	0	850	850
Iowa	1,986	0	30,612	32,598
Maine	0	770	0	770
Michigan	0	0	540	540
Minnesota	0	0	4,490	4,490
Missouri	903	0	2,340	3,243
Ohio	780	780	6,440	8,000
Oregon	2,122	579	0	2,701
Utah	1,607	720	2,167	4,494
Wisconsin	0	0	1,584	1,584
TOTAL	7,398	2,849	51,453	61,700
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NONMILITARY	7,398	2,849	51,453	61,700

NEW ENGLAND

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM, CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
125-128	79-82	66-69	40-43	17-20

DETROIT EGGS

PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
57-60	48-54	46-51	28-33	18-22

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
29-32	12-14	4-7

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
72.57	69.27	49.96	36.76

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	08/20/01	08/13/01	08/21/00
PACIFIC COAST	270	130	657
LOS ANGELES	0	0	607

HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS

LOCAL EGG MARKET PRICES AND INVENTORY FROM LOCAL PRODUCERS ARE NOT AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF PUBLICATION

Receipts from the mainland: 08/12/01-08/18/01
 30-dozen cases 6,274
 Receipts from the mainland: 08/4/01-08/11/01
 30-dozen cases 5,583

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